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By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition of Eugene L. O'Flaherty and others relative to payroll deductions for insurance or employee benefits for certain unionized employees. Public Service.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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### PETITION OF:

Eugene L. O'Flaherty                      Robert A. Deleo  
Brian P. Wallace

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO UNIONIZED EMPLOYEES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 17J of chapter 180 of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:—  
3     Where the recipient specified is a duly licensed insurance agent or  
4 insurance broker receiving sums so deducted for any property-casu-  
5 alty insurance offered in conjunction with the employee organiza-  
6 tion, the agent or broker shall forward the sums deducted and  
7 received to the appropriate insurance company within two business  
8 days after receipt from the treasurer or common paymaster. No  
9 insurance company doing business in the Commonwealth of Massa-  
10 chusetts shall refuse to accept payment of property-casualty insur-  
11 ance premiums without interest or charges in equal weekly or  
12 biweekly installments via payroll deduction for unionized state,  
13 county, municipal or other public employees where the agent or  
14 broker is remitting the deducted sums as required under this section.  
15 Provided, however, if any such insurance company shall not offer or  
16 allow any such agent or broker to forward funds received by elec-  
17 tronic funds transfer from a designated premium account, then the  
18 agent or broker shall be permitted to pay the funds received under

19 the time limits set forth in the last paragraph of Section 163 of  
20 Chapter 175 of the general laws.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.